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Dear Sir:

Ethicon-Endo-Surgery, Inc.. (a Johnson & Johnson Company) having a principal office at 4545 Creek Road, Cincinnati, Ohio 45242, represents that it is the owner of record of all right, title and interest in the following patents and patent applications by virtue of assignments from the inventor(s) of the patent applications and patents identified below. The assignments were recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark office at the Reel/Frame numbers indicated below. Also attached herewith, please find an Assignment from NDO Surgical, Inc. to Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc.

Appl./Patent No.	Filing Date	First Named Inventor	Title:	Attorney Docket Number	Assignment Recordation Date Reel/Frame
6,663,639	03-07-2000	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-263 (END6430USNP)	05-11-2000 010612 / 0524
6,773,441	09-05-2000	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-264 (END6430USCNT1)	05-11-2000 010612 / 0524

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10/819,995	04-08-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-265 (END6430USCNT3)	05-11-2000 010612 / 0524
10/820,127	04-08-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-266 (END6430USCNT4)	05-11-2000 010612 / 0524
09/574,424	05-19-2000	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-267 (END6430USCIP1)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
7,153,314	08-16-2002	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-268 (END6430USCNT2)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
6,821,285	05-18-2001	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-269 (END6430USCIP2)	12-19-2001 012387 / 0936
10/819,996	04-08-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-270 (END6430USCNT5)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
10/819,957	04-08-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-271 (END6430USCNT6)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
10/819,965	04-08-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-272 (END6430USCNT7)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
10/828,469	04-21-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-273 (END6430USCNT8)	10-02-2000 011162 / 0678
10/197,574	07-18-2002	Michael D. LAUFER	Method and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-275 (END6430USCIP3)	11-26-2002 013554 / 0324
10/992,228	11-19-2004	Michael D. LAUFER	Method and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-276 (END6430USCNT9)	11-26-2002 013554 / 0324
10/438,346	05-15-2003	Jeffrey C. CERIER	Method and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-279 (END6430USCIP4)	09-10-2003 014487 / 0769
10/677,633	10-02-2003	Jeffrey C. CERIER	Tissue Fixation Devices and Methods of Fixing Tissue	100873-283 (END6430USCIP5)	02-13-2007 018886 / 0319
11/867,556	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Medical Treatment	100873-286 (END6438USNP)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0954

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11/867,560	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods of Organ Reconfiguration	100873-287 (END6438USNP1)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0918
11/867,567	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods of Tissue Reconfiguration	100873-288 (END6438USNP2)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0209
11/867,574	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Systems for Tissue Manipulation	100873-289 (END6438USNP3)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0807
11/867,577	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Reconfiguring a Body Organ	100873-290 (END6438USNP4)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0786
11/867,582	10-04-2007	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Systems for Manipulating Tissue	100873-291 (END6438USNP5)	12-12-2007 020236 / 0078
6,506,196	03-07-2000	Michael D. LAUFER	Device and Method for Correction of a Painful Body Defect	100873-292 (END6430USNP1)	03-07-2000 010671 / 0084
12/107,717	04-22-2008	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Placement of an Intra-Abdominal or Intra-Thoracic Appliance through a Natural Body Orifice	100873-294 (END6439USNP)	Copy of Assignment Attached
12/107,746	04-22-2008	Michael D. LAUFER	Methods and Devices for Placement of an Intra-Abdominal or Intra-Thoracic Appliance through a Natural Body Orifice	100873-298 (END6439USNP)	Copy of Assignment Attached

Assignee has reviewed the evidentiary documents pertaining to the rights of Assignee to take this action and certifies that, to the best of Assignee's knowledge and belief, title to the above-identified patents and patent application is in Assignee.

The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is empowered to act and is authorized to execute this document on behalf of the Assignee and hereby revokes all previous powers in the above-identified applications and respectfully requests the appointment of all practitioners at **Customer Number 21125**, all of Nutter, McClennen & Fish LLP, World Trade Center West, 155 Seaport Boulevard, Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2604, jointly, and each of them severally, my attorneys at law/patent agent(s), with full power of substitution, delegation and revocation, to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in the U. S. Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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Respectfully Submitted,  
**Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc.**

Date: 10 JUN 05

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Printed Name: Dean L. Garner

Title: Assistant Secretary

*The Commonwealth of Massachusetts*

William Francis Galvin  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

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Boston, Massachusetts

May 5, 2008

*I hereby certify*

*that at the date of attestation hereunto annexed,*

**Deborah C. Rice**

*whose name is signed to the attached certificate of acknowledgement, proof of affidavit, was at the time of taking the same, a NOTARY PUBLIC for the said Commonwealth duly commissioned and constituted; that to his/her acts and attestations, as such, full faith and credit are and ought to be given in and out of Court; that as such Notary PUBLIC, he/she was by law authorized to take depositions, to administer oaths and take acknowledgments or deeds or conveyances of lands, tenements or hereditaments and other instruments through the Commonwealth to be recorded according to law.*

*In testimony of which, I have hereunto affixed the*

*Great Seal of the Commonwealth*



*on the first date above written*

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "William Francis Galvin".

William Francis Galvin  
Secretary of the Commonwealth

# PATENT ASSIGNMENT

Whereas, NDO Surgical, Inc., a Delaware corporation (hereinafter known as "Assignor"), owns all right, title, and interest in and to the following patents and patent applications listed below, including any other counterparts of the those listed below worldwide, as well as any and all related continuations, continuations-in-part, divisions, renewals, reissues, reexaminations, extensions, and patents of addition and patents of importation ("Assigned Patents):

Patent/Publication No.	Country Code	Title	Application Date
WO2007064906A2	WO	DEVICES AND METHODS FOR ENDOLUMINAL GASTRIC RESTRICTION AND TISSUE MANIPULATION	12/1/2006
US6494888B1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	5/19/2000
US20020193816A1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	8/16/2002
US6506196B1	US	Device and method for correction of a painful body defect	3/7/2000
US6663639B1	US	Methods and devices for tissue reconfiguration	3/7/2000
US6773441B1	US	Methods and devices for tissue reconfiguration	9/5/2000
US20040193184A1	US	Methods and devices for tissue reconfiguration	4/8/2004
US20040193194A1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	4/8/2004
US20040193193A1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	4/8/2004
US20040193117A1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	4/8/2004
US20040194790A1	US	Tissue reconfiguration	4/21/2004
US6821285B2	US	Tissue reconfiguration	5/18/2001
US6835200B2	US	Method and devices for tissue reconfiguration	7/18/2002
US20050033328A1	US	Methods and devices for tissue reconfiguration	4/8/2004
US20060025789A1	US	Methods and devices for tissue reconfiguration	11/19/2004
US7153314B2	US	Tissue reconfiguration	8/16/2002
WO2000078227A1	WO	GERD TREATMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD	6/22/2000
WO2000078227A9	WO	GERD TREATMENT APPARATUS AND	6/22/2000

# METHOD

WO2003007796A2	WO	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR TISSUE RECONFIGURATION	7/18/2002
WO2003099137A2	WO	METHOD AND DEVICES FOR TISSUE RECONFIGURATION	5/15/2003
WO2003007796A3	WO	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR TISSUE RECONFIGURATION	7/18/2002
EP1187559A1	EP	GERD TREATMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD	6/22/2000
EP1447052A2	EP	GERD treatment apparatus and method	6/22/2000
EP1447052A3	EP	GERD TREATMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD	6/22/2000
EP1511430A1	EP	METHOD AND DEVICES FOR TISSUE RECONFIGURATION	5/15/2003
EP1658812A1	EP	Tissue reconfiguration	12/27/2005
EP1815803A1	EP	Gerd treatment apparatus and method	4/18/2007
EP1187559B1	EP	GERD TREATMENT APPARATUS AND METHOD	6/22/2000
<i>Application Number:</i> <b>12107717</b>	US	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR PLACEMENT OF AN INTRA-ABDOMINAL OR INTRA-THORACIC APPLIANCE THROUGH A NATURAL BODY ORIFICE	4/23/2008
<i>Application Number:</i> <b>12107746</b>	US	METHODS AND DEVICES FOR PLACEMENT OF SEMI-CIRCUMFERENTIAL INTRA-ABDOMINAL OR INTRA-THORACIC APPLIANCE THROUGH A NATURAL BODY ORIFICE	4/23/2008
<i>Application Number:</i> <b>61047080</b>	US	Device for low-frequency dissection around a bodily organ	4/23/2008
<i>Application Number:</i> <b>61047078</b>	US	DEVICE FOR PLACEMENT OF A CIRCUMFERENTIAL BAND AROUND A BODILY ORGAN THROUGH A NATURAL ORIFICE	4/23/2008
<i>Application Number:</i>	US	Lighted trans-illuminating device for transluminal endoscopic surgery	4/23/2008

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03728882.6	EP	Method and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	05/15/2003
2004-0010245	US	Method and Devices for Tissue Reconfiguration	05/15/2003
2004-0133238	US	Tissue Fixation Devices and Methods of Fixing Tissue	10/02/2003
2008-043044	WO	Devices and Methods for Endoluminal Gastric Restriction, Tissue Manipulation, and Drug Delivery	10/04/2007
11/867,556	US	Methods and Devices for Medical Treatment	10/04/2007
11/867,560	US	Methods of Organ Reconfiguration	10/04/2007
11/867,567	US	Methods of Tissue Reconfiguration	10/04/2007
11/867,574	US	Methods and Systems for Tissue Manipulation	10/04/2007
11/867,577	US	Methods and Devices for Reconfiguring a Body Organ	10/04/2007
11/867,582	US	Methods and Systems for Manipulating Tissue	10/04/2007
60/931,243	US	Methods and Devices for the Treatment of Obesity	05/21/2007

for which he has this day executed an application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethicon Endo-Surgery, Inc., a corporation formed under the laws of the State of Ohio, (hereinafter called "Assignee"), has acquired the entire right, title, and interest therein for a sum greater than \$100;

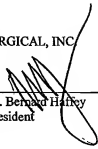
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT KNOWN Assignor has sold, assigned, and transferred, and does hereby sell, assign, and transfer unto said Assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to all said Assigned Patents and any and all inventions and discoveries disclosed in said Assigned Patents;

And Assignor hereby authorizes and requests all government patent offices, including the United States Patent & Trademark office, to issue the Assigned Patents in accordance with this Assignment;

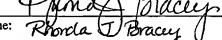


IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignor has hereunto set his hand and seal this 2nd day of May 2008.

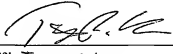
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BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2008 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared P. Bernard Haffey, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.



Notary Public



DEBORAH C. RICE  
Notary Public  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
My Commission Expires March 19, 2015

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Assignee has hereunto set his hand and seal this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2008.

ETHICON ENDO-SURGERY, INC.

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BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of May 2008 before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared TIMOTHY P. LESSEK who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing instrument in my presence, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed, sealed, and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

*Deborah A. Bracey*

Notary Public

*To be apostilled*



DEBORAH C. RICE  
Notary Public  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
My Commission Expires March 19, 2015